GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1894
ANSWERED ON:29.11.2002
IMPORT OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES
PUSHPDAN SHAMBHUDAN GADHAVI

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of fruits and vegetables imported from the various countries during the last two years, country-wise, variety-wise and value -wise; and

(b) the compelling reasons for importing these fruits / vegetables?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)
(a) The details of quantity of fruits and vegetables imported from the various countries during the last two years, country-wise, variety-wise and value -wise, are contained in the publication `Monthly Statistics of Foreign Trade of India: Volume-II (Imports)-Annual Number` published by Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and statistics, which is available in the library of the Parliament.
(b) Imports of all items including fruits and vegetables, is permissible as per the Exim Policy and procedures laid down in the Handbook of procedures. The Quantitative Restrictions, which were earlier maintained on balance of payment grounds, have been removed in line with the economic liberalization policy and also in accordance with the Country`s commitment to multilateral trading regime.